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**FORMER AIR FORCE MASTER SERGEANT SENTENCED TO 70 MONTHS
IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced that 43-year-old Lawrence Wayne Clark was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Fred Biery in San Antonio today to serve 70 months in federal prison for possession of child pornography. In addition to the prison term, Judge Biery ordered that Clark pay a \$25,000 fine and be placed under supervised release for a period of 20 years after completing his prison term.

"Mr. Clark victimized young girls by trading in child pornography. He is paying a high price for this heinous crime," stated U.S. Attorney Johnny Sutton.

An undercover investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation revealed that Clark was a member of a Yahoo group whose primary purpose was the distribution of child pornography. On February 19, 2004, authorities executed a search warrant of Clark's vehicle and discovered several computer disks which contained pornographic images of children. Clark admitted to authorities that he had posted to various Yahoo groups at least 150 images of child pornography.

Clark was indicted on May 19, 2004, and pleaded guilty on September 2, 2004. Assistant U.S. Attorney Larry Mathews prosecuted this case on behalf of the government.

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